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EXPORT ORIENTED UNITS IN SC/ST AREAS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Whether no export-oriented unit has been setup so far in the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes areas of the country including Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the State-wise, details of such areas where the export oriented units have been set up;

(d) the details of such units which have fulfilled their export commitments alongwith the earnings thereof;

(e) the details of such units, which have failed to fulfil their export commitments alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to watch the performance of export oriented units in fulfilling their export commitments?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) to (c) : No separate record is being maintained regarding location of EOUs in Scheduled Castes andScheduled Tribes areas of the country.

(d) to (f) : Export Oriented Units (EOUs.) have a five year period to fulfil their export commitments.The monitoring of their performance is done on annual and cumulative basis subject to their having completed one year of production. Accordingly export performance of 1051 units which had completed one year of production as on 31st March, 99 was monitored which reveals that 670 units have either achieved the export commitment or there was a marginal shortfall in their case. In case of 81 units the shortfall in export performance was not more than 10% and their performance was kept under watch. In the case of 300 units the shortfall in export performance was more than 10% and these cases were referred to Director General of Foreign Tradefor penal action as per guidelines. The EOUs. effected exports of Rs. 12,058.27 crores during that year. The reasons for poor performance were lack of marketing ,financial or managerial problems and high transaction cost in India. External marketing efforts of the units are assisted by the Govt. of India by organising trade exhibitions and buyer-seller meets, under Marketing Development Assistance Scheme.